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In the Supreme Court of Iowa

**In the Matter of Revisions to)
Trial Scheduling and Discovery)
Plan Forms in Chapter 23 of)
the Iowa Court Rules)**

Order

CLERK SUPREME COURT

The Iowa Supreme Court approves amendments to the Trial Scheduling and Discovery Plan Forms 2 and 3 contained in the Iowa Court Rules, Chapter 23, Time Standards for Case Processing. These forms are used in conjunction with the recent discovery rule amendments and the new expedited civil action rule in the Iowa Rules of Civil Procedure. The amendments will assist attorneys and clerks of court in using the forms to set pretrial deadlines for discovery matters.

The amendments reflect the practice of judicial districts that do not provide precise trial dates until after parties have held their discovery conference. The amended forms will allow parties who are unable to provide a specific month, day, and year for a deadline to fill in a blank text field for pretrial and discovery time frames to which they have agreed. Each form also now includes an "Other" final paragraph text box for parties to set forth any additional agreements they have reached for trial scheduling and discovery matters.

The amended forms are provided with this order, with amendments highlighted in yellow. The amended forms are temporarily adopted, effective immediately, and will be available for use on the Iowa Judicial Branch website. The amended forms will permanently take effect November 25, 2015, subject to Legislative Council approval consistent with the provisions of Iowa Code section 602.4202.

Dated this 25th day of September, 2015.

The Supreme Court of Iowa

By Mark S. Cady
Mark S. Cady, Chief Justice